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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF
MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPY

IN THE MATTER OF THE
LICENSE OF

RUBEN O. BEA
License # 18KT00809400

TO PRACTICE MASSAGE AND
BODYWORK THERAPY IN THE
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Administrative Action

FINAL ORDER
OF DISCIPLINE

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Massage and Bodywork Therapy ("the Board") upon receipt of information which the Board has reviewed and on which the following findings of fact and conclusions of law are made:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent is a licensed massage and bodywork therapist in the State of New Jersey, and has been a licensee at all times relevant hereto.
2. Respondent was arrested on April 28, 2015 and charged with criminal sexual contact in violation of N.J.S. 2C:14-3(b). He was found guilty of that offense on August 12, 2015.
3. The offense he was convicted of involved allegations of improper conduct with a consumer in the course of performing massage therapy.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Respondent's conviction of an offense relating adversely to the practice of massage and bodywork therapy subjects respondent to sanctions pursuant to N.J.S.A.

45:1-21(e) and (f), and indicates that pursuant to N.J.S.A.45:1-22(f), respondent warrants evaluation to ascertain whether his continued practice places the public in jeopardy.

Based on the foregoing findings and conclusions, a Provisional Order of Discipline was entered on December 3, 2015, provisionally suspending respondent's license to practice massage and bodywork therapy. A copy of the Order was served upon respondent at his address of record by certified and regular mail. The Provisional Order was subject to finalization by the Board at 5:00 p.m. on the 30th day following entry unless respondent requested a modification or dismissal of the stated Findings of Fact or Conclusions of Law by submitting a written request for modification or dismissal setting forth in writing any and all reasons why said findings and conclusions should be modified or dismissed and submitting any and all documents or other written evidence supporting respondent's request for consideration and reasons therefor.

The record reflects that the certified mailing of the order was signed for. The regular mailing was not returned. No response has been received to date. The Board notes that service has been effected, as the mailings were sent to respondent's address of record with the Board. It is further determined that as no material discrepancies have been raised with respect to the findings and conclusions of the Provisional Order, additional proceedings are not necessary, and the Provisional Order is to be made final.

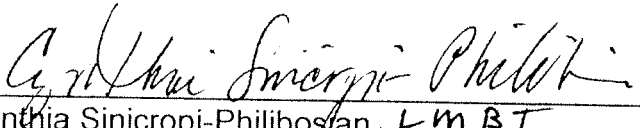
... ACCORDINGLY, IT IS on this 17th day of February, 2016,
ORDERED that:

1. Respondent's New Jersey license to practice massage and bodywork therapy is hereby suspended until he has :

- a) provided the Board with a copy of the transcripts of his court appearance on August 12, 2015;
- b) provided the Board with a copy of the transcripts of sentencing, which was scheduled to take place on October 2, 2015;
- c) undergone psychological evaluation by a Board-approved evaluator, who provides the Board with recommendations as to treatment, and as to the nature of the risk he may pose to the consumers of the State of New Jersey in the future with respect to he likelihood of respondent's re-offending.. Upon satisfaction of these conditions in full, the Board shall review the information provided and make a determination as to an appropriate disciplinary resolution of this matter that is consistent with the public safety.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF
MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPY

By:


Cynthia Sinicropi-Philibosian, L M B T
Board Chairperson